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Events in the probe moved rapidly today after the long conference at the District Attorney's office, and it was understood that action will be brought against several members of the Department.

There will be no let-up in the inquiry following today's disclosures. Mr. Hawken and Major Pullman are intent on getting to the bottom of all of the allegations made by Mrs. Stout, and the inquiry will be pursued until all available witnesses are exhausted.

Graft allegations against members of the police force have so far been confined, however, to the charges of Mrs. Stout. Up to the time of the conference this morning no matters, not originally said before the District Attorney by Mrs. Stout had been developed. Mr. Hawken has, however, several hundred pages of testimony, much of which, it was learned officially, is of a corroborative nature.

Major Pullman stated this morning that no dependence had been put on Kleinendust as the chief witness for the Government in the probe, and that he did not regard any testimony by Kleinendust as of supreme importance.

It was intimated just before the conference this morning that an official announcement would be made upon its conclusion. It was announced that several witnesses will be brought before Mr. Hawken today.

Officials conducting the inquiry refused to state today whether a statement from Kleinendust would be sought. It was made plain, however, that no effort would be made to bring Kleinendust in against his will.

**Going To Bottom.**

Major Pullman is determined to get to the bottom of the graft charges, and is doing the utmost to further the inquiry before Mr. Hawken. He took with him to the conference this morning over a hundred pages of testimony in the probe that was taken yesterday afternoon by a police stenographer.

The nature of this testimony would not be divulged. Major Pullman gave out the following official statement with respect to the probe:

"The investigation conducted by the District Attorney's office, which is now under way, will be continued and officers of the Police Department will co-operate in every way possible to produce any information desired by the District Attorney. It is the mutual interest of both the Police Department and the District Attorney's office to co-operate in this matter. An independent examination of witnesses by the Police Department will not be started at the present time, because it would not only be a useless duplication of work, but would lessen the effectiveness of the whole investigation."

**Making Rapid Progress.**

"The work carried on so far is purely the business of the district attorney's office. If the investigation widens out and the district attorney finds out that there is too much for him to handle, I shall recommend the appointment of a special investigating committee, made up of representatives of the district attorney's office and representatives of the Commissioners. Under the direction of the district attorney, Mr. Hawken is making rapid progress and is working hard to get to the bottom of the graft charges."

It is unfortunate that there is an impression that the charges cover matters of large scale. As a matter of fact, all the information brought out so far relates to petty graft, and the number of men involved is very small. Every citizen of Washington and every member of the Metropolitan Police Department will do well to remember at this time that nothing is further from the truth than the idea that a dishonest policeman when one or more men are found to be unfaithful to their trust, except one thing—that the idea of loyalty which may lead honest men to protect the dishonest."

## Twenty-two Blonde Skaters Reach New York

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—A remarkable man arrived by the Norwegian-American steamship Kristianstad.

He is so modest that he refused to permit his name to be printed with out the written consent of Charles Dillingham, and he brought with him twenty-two blonde skaters, who are the first of the kind to reach New York since the ship was built.

The nationality of the twenty-two who might be given to the United States in diplomatic controversy with Germany. He was told that genius, especially of the kind that is looked upon as a thing apart from international feeling and conflict, but he persisted in asserting that Mr. Dillingham might not like it.

The girls have been at the Admiral's Ice Palace in Berlin and they will be part of a skating team that will start on real ice at a coming production here.

## Forbids Canadian Fliers To Cross American Line

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 7.—Governor Hammond this afternoon received a letter of warning from Secretary Lansing urging his co-operation in restraining aviators from crossing the Canadian border, which the Washington Administration considered an unneutral act.

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## COMPTROLLER TO BE APPOINTED ON BENCH

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President Wilson has decided upon the appointment of Comptroller George E. Downey, of the Treasury Department, as justice of the Court of Claims. This information was obtained today on high authority. It is understood that the President has the appointment of Downey, who is a native of Pennsylvania, and that his selection will be announced within a few days.

Mr. Downey will succeed to the place to which the President appointed former Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer, who was appointed to the position in 1913. Mr. Palmer, who is reported to be an active candidate for appointment as counselor of the State Department, to succeed Secretary of State Robert Lansing, has never been sworn in as a justice of the Court of Claims.

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## MORGENTHAU'S COUP SAVED 2,000 LIVES

U. S. Envoy Frustrated Plan to Use Allied Civilians as Screen for Turks.

By HENRY WOOD.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 28 (by courier to Dedeagatch, thence by cable to New York).—By a dramatic move that aroused even the admiration of the Turkish Ambassador Morgenthau saved the lives of 2,000 English and French civilians, whom Enver Pasha, Turkey's thirty-three-year-old minister of war, had decided to expose to the bombardment of the allied fleet at the Dardanelles.

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**Gets Pasha's Promise.**

The order was to have been carried out on a Monday morning. Ambassador Morgenthau by chance learned of it on the Sunday evening preceding. He telephoned a protest to Enver Pasha at once and obtained from the war minister a promise that the women and children at least would be spared, and finally a reluctant consent to a postponement of the execution of the order until the following Thursday.

With a three days' reprieve, Morgenthau rushed cable messages off to England and France. But these communications necessarily took a roundabout route through Washington, and on Wednesday morning no response had reached the embassy. In desperation the ambassador again called the war minister by telephone and asked for an audience.

"I am sorry," replied Enver Pasha, "but I have not a single moment vacant until a council of ministers meets. But unless you receive me by 4 o'clock, was Morgenthau's reply, 'I will enter the council of ministers myself and insist on speaking to you.'"

**Admits Action Hasty.**

This bold stroke won the day. The war minister set the appointment for 3 o'clock. Ambassador Morgenthau held the floor for a full hour, and at the end of that time Enver Pasha admitted that he had been wrong in ordering the civilians to shell-swept Gallipoli.

"But the order already has been given and to withdraw it would weaken my discipline," he said. "I must at least send some people down and make a demonstration."

Morgenthau suggested sending twenty-five civilians. The Turkish war leader proposed fifty as a compromise, and that number had been agreed upon when they parted.

The American ambassador in person supervised the departure the following morning of the twenty-four French and twenty-six English civilians collected by the Constantinople police. The scene at the Golden Horn pier when these men bid farewell to their English and French relatives, and steamed out to what seemed to them a certain death was one of the most affecting ever enacted. At the last moment one of the English ministers, who still remained in Constantinople, volunteered to go along to offer consolation to the women. Morgenthau sent Hoffman Philip, first secretary of the embassy to Gallipoli with the prisoners to make certain that they were provided with food.

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## WILL DEAL WITH ALL FRACTIONS IN MEXICO

Secretary Lansing Says Carranza Is to Be Eliminated. Insists Upon Agreement.

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along with the others in any "get-together" plan, he himself, along with Villa, must be eliminated as an aspirant for recognition by this country.

Mr. Lansing stated today that the next meeting of the conference in New York will be held early next week, although he was not able to name the date. The conference, he understood, the Latin-American diplomats will have reported back to their respective governments the views of the United States and will have received instructions.

**Plan Has Not Collapsed.**

In the meantime, also, Secretary Lansing will have learned more in detail the views of President Wilson, and, perhaps, a peace chairman, will report from Major General Scott concerning his conference with General Villa.

Whether the public of the United States may hope for some announcement next week as to the plan of the United States and the Latin-American conference, Mr. Lansing could not say. He denied that yesterday's adjournment of the conference presaged a collapse of the movement to draw a plan which Latin-America could endorse, and insisted that the decision to hold future conferences in New York was based entirely on the desire to escape the heat of Washington.

**Carranza Agent Submits Brief.**

Even more specific than the peace offer of General Carranza, published in the moon edition of The Times, was the statement made by Mr. Douglas in the brief submitted by him to Mr. Lansing, naming the men whom Carranza has designated to act as his representatives in the conference.

This statement was as follows: "We have in Washington Mr. Arredondo, in the capacity of special representative of the constitutional government, and at this time Mr. Cabrera, a member of Mr. Carranza's cabinet, is here. These men of fine character, and excellent character, and are anxious to serve their country in the highest and best sense. Either or both of them, if they are permitted to confer with the representatives of any element of the Mexican people with a view to furthering the coming of peace, peace and the welfare of their nation."

**First Chief's Offer.**

The offer of General Carranza, as communicated to the State Department, is as follows: "Any citizen of Mexico who, in good faith, has a suggestion to make for the welfare of the country, I and my colleagues in the government will gladly hear and confer with him."

There is no doubt when Villa or the commanders acting under him could not have obtained a conference with the government, but they were in a military way. We are ready to confer with any Mexican element for the welfare of our common country, but must insist on the principle of the victory which now enables us to realize the aims of the revolution."

## Many Peons in Saltillo Forced to Eat Donkey Flesh and Cactus Pears

Donkey flesh and cactus pears are the starvation rations upon which many peons in Saltillo, State of Coahuila, are depending for sustenance, according to reports published by Red Cross headquarters today.

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## Western Drive Would Put Kaiser at Mercy Of Allies, Say French

Joffre's Officers Declare They Only Fear Germans Will Not Try to Reach Calais or Paris—Expect War to Last Another Year—Drawing the Veil Aside.

By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS.

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WITH THE FRENCH ARMY AT THE FANT, Aug. 6 (via Paris, Aug. 7).—If the Germans make good their threat and attempt to smash through the allies' lines to the Channel, or to Paris, after taking Warsaw, the greatest slaughter ever witnessed by man will occur, and the Kaiser will meet his Waterloo.

This is the opinion, most emphatically expressed, of every officer, from generals down, with whom I talked on a tour of the battlefield on the anniversary of the first week of the war.

They declare they only fear the Germans won't try, knowing it would play into the allies' hands. For Germany, they say, it would be the beginning of the end.

## "PRE-DOOMED TO FAILURE."

"Such a drive would be pre-doomed to failure," one officer said. "Then weakened by frightful losses, the Kaiser's legions would be at the mercy of their allies, who with time working to their advantage, would have the first command of the situation. The first thanks to the genius of General Joffre, France's commander-in-chief."

Not only is this assertion made repeatedly, but with a frankness which startled one accustomed to the old time secrecy of the early days of the war. The French officers, however, with General Joffre's full permission, threw their cards face upon the table, proving, at least to the layman, that only disaster awaits a Paris or Calais drive by the Germans.

**A Subterranean City.**

On this trip to the battlefield, I was shown sights which few, if any, civilians heretofore had seen, or if they did see and were caught, for which they paid the penalty of being shot. The first sight was the secret of the great citadel of Verdun were made an open book by the French officers.

I was conducted through subterranean passages nearly 200 feet below the surface of the fort, where the siege preparations comprised everything from food and shells to great mills, water works, hospitals, wireless plant and sleeping quarters for the entire civil as well as the military population.

**Work 100 Feet Underground.**

The military governor and his staff were working 100 feet underground in an office of considerable size, directly beneath the citadel. The governor explained that the precautions were being taken not because Verdun was actually in danger of attack, but because on June 4 twenty-six 300 millimeter shells were hurled on the town by the Germans, who used the same long-range guns that shelled Dunkirk from a distance of about twenty miles.

His staff, he explained, was now able to work without regard for the possibility of being caught by the enemy, and it was also possible for the civil population to find refuge underground if the bombardment was repeated.

**Time Working For France.**

Subsequently I was shown through the outlying forts and munition factories. A French officer offered me a cigar and working drawing of a new bomb, which I refused as useless to me. I was allowed to handle hand grenades to inspect several new kinds of mortars and strange shells, and to examine miles of the front line defenses and also the organization system back of the line. Apparently nothing was a secret.

"We are ready for any move," said one of the officer's escorts, "but we are not sure of it. The time is working for France. We can break the German line any minute we want to, but the operation would be costly. We prefer to wait and let them come to us. They will certainly try to break our line, and when they do, let them look out."

## Expect Another Year of War.

One is visibly impressed by the spirit of determination everywhere prevalent in the French ranks after a year of the war. Men and officers agree that another year of the war is a practical certainty. Both are most cheerful over the French prospects. They say they are so used to campaigning now that they fear they will find peace dull.

All along the battlefield the trenches and the villages back of the lines have been renovated to add to the comfort of the soldiers, further evidence that the troops expect to be in action for a long time. In some little villages elaborate hospitals have been erected. Theaters and picture houses have been established. Quiet cross-roads towns have been electrified with electric lights. The phonograph galleries and the postcard stores have put in their appearance.

## Drawing the Veil Aside.

American barbed wire, strung between the opposing trenches, has established a deadlock from the sea to the Swiss frontier and the war has been reduced to routine business. The French officers, however, expect a change shortly, though few think that peace is at all near.

On August 4, the anniversary of the formal declaration of war between France and Germany, I asked one of Joffre's ablest generals how long the war would last.

"Until we are in Germany," he answered quietly. "We will fight until it is accomplished, be it two years or ten."

The significant thing in the situation today is that France is drawing the veil

## Lime-Loss in Tuberculosis.

In the Journal of the American Medical Association (January 17, 1914) was the following: "It has been many times stated that the tuberculosis stage in the pre-tuberculous stage an increased amount of uric acid (lime) is lost both in the urine and feces. A fact, a demonstration has been thought to be a forerunner of the development of tuberculosis."

If tuberculosis is due to lime loss, the success of Eckman's Alternative in its treatment must be in part, to its content of a lime salt so combined with other valuable ingredients as to be easily assimilated.

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## RUSSIAN LINE NEAR LOMZA IS BROKEN

Berlin Reports Slavs in Full Retreat North of Warsaw Sector.

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facilitate a further offensive campaign against the Russian army.

Arrangements for setting up a German civil administration for Warsaw are being perfected today.

Chief of Police Gluck, of Cologne, is to head the new Warsaw department of police, it is announced.

Prince Leopold, of Bavaria, who probably will be named military governor of the Warsaw district, will suggest the name of a Pole to head the civil administration.

**Germans Press Attack On Fortress of Verdun; Move on Railway Line**

PARIS, Aug. 7.—Attacks by the Crown Prince's army on the French works around Verdun, first reported in yesterday's official dispatches, continued throughout yesterday and last night without interruption.

The German infantry is hammering hard at the French lines in the western Argonne, aiming at the railway leading east to Verdun. The official communiqué this afternoon reports that a violent German attack was repulsed in the region of Hill 233.

Bomb fighting of a sanguinary nature has occurred around Tracy-le-Val and in the region of Berry-aux-Bac in the last twenty-four hours. Artillery continues to exchange shots across the front around Souches.

## ITALIANS TAKE PEAK DOMINATING GORITZ

TURIN, Aug. 7.—Italian troops have stormed and captured the summit of Monte San Michele, one of the peaks dominating Goritz. Dispatches received here today say the Italian attacks have been renewed with a fierceness that makes the fall of the Austrian fortress in the near future a practical certainty.

The siege of the Fort dominating Goritz from the west, have literally been bathed in blood since the Bersaglieri began their savage attacks three days ago.

Italian gunners first wrecked Austrian concrete and armored trenches half way up the height, forcing the defenders to retreat.

From this position, however, the enemy swept the slopes with a hot fire. It is reported that the Italians suffered heavy losses.

## Fall of Austrian Fortress in Near Future Is Considered a Practical Certainty.

Commissioner Newman has learned by personal experience that a "white wing" is no sinecure.

To test the weight of the new receptacles for the collection of street sweepings, the president of the board pushed one a distance of 100 feet along Fourteenth street.

The result is that the manufacture of this particular type of container will be discontinued until the return on August 24 of J. W. Paxton, superintendent of street cleaning. Efforts then will be made to lighten the weight of those now in use by the attachment of ball bearings to the crest.

Commissioner Newman's attention was directed to the new receptacles by William H. Clayton, chairman of the committee on public utilities of the Federation of Citizens' Associations. The street cleaning department has 100,000 pounds, and carry four bags. The weight of the bags when filled is from 75 to 100 pounds. The bag holders formerly used weighed 120 pounds and carried one bag.

The kindness of the American Ice Company the "white wings" are to be furnished ice water. S. A. Kimberly, manager, said today that the company will be glad to furnish small pieces of ice to the men without cost whenever requested.

Superintendent Doyle, of the Street Cleaning Department, said today that the rule prohibiting the men from carrying articles on the outside of the receptacles hereafter will not be applied to water buckets.

## Victor Emmanuel Aids Bishop Hold His First Mass at Italian Front

ROME, Aug. 7.—King Victor Emmanuel has received Bishop Bartolomeo, who was appointed by Pope Benedict as chief chaplain of the Italian army, at his headquarters at the front.

Dispatches received here say the King assisted at the first mass celebrated by the bishop for the troops, and afterward shook hands with the bishop, who expressed the greatest admiration for the bravery of the Italian troops.

## Captain Deserted So He Could Fight

Left India to Become Private in France Under Assumed Name and Died in Battle.

LONDON, Aug. 7.—How a captain of the British army in India left his regiment to become a private in France, and was killed in action on May 17 at Festubert, where he displayed such gallantry that he would have been granted the medal for distinguished conduct had he survived.

Smart, though dead, has been restored to his captivity.

## Germans Fear Mutiny Of Hindus on Vessel

CHARLESTON, S. C., Aug. 7.—Fearing an attack by the Hindu members of the crew, the German officers aboard the German steamer Liebenfels, tied up here, last night notified the police authorities and a special squad of four officers were rushed to the foot of Columbus street and taken aboard the vessel.

According to reports, the Hindus planned to make an assault upon the Germans aboard. It is understood warrants will be sworn out for the alleged offenders, and that the case will be brought before a magistrate.

## London Hears Sweden May Clash With Russia

LONDON, Aug. 6.—The London Morning Post today expressed the fear that Sweden's unfriendly attitude toward Russia may eventually lead to war.

The Post reported that warlike preparations have been observed in northern Sweden and that Sweden apparently is becoming emboldened by recent German successes.

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